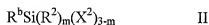
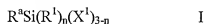


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. **(Withdrawn-Currently Amended)** A composition for coating comprising at least one compound of formula I and optionally at least one compound of formula II



wherein

R^a is a straight-chain or branched $C_{(1-24)}$ alkyl group,

R^b is an aromatic group, optionally an optionally substituted carbocyclic and heterocyclic group comprising five-, six- or ten-membered ring systems, which is linked by a single covalent bond or a spacer unit, optionally a straight-chain or branched alkyl residue having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, to the Si- atom,

R^1 and R^2 are independently of each other ~~a lower alkyl group, optionally a straight chain and/or a branched hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 6 carbon atoms,~~

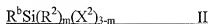
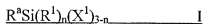
X^1 and X^2 are independently of each other a hydrolysable group, ~~optionally which is one or more of a halogen or an alkoxy group,~~ and

n, m are independently of each other 0 or 1[[.]]

with the proviso that if n and m are independently of each other 0 or 1, X may represent the same or different groups.

2. **(Withdrawn)** A composition according to claim 1, wherein the volume ratio of a compound of formula I to a compound of formula II ranges from 1:100 to 100:1, optionally from 1:50 to 50:1, more optionally from 1:10 to 10:1, most optionally from 1:1 to 5:1.

3. **(Currently amended)** A substrate having a coating formed of a composition comprising: according to claim 1,
at least one compound of formula I and optionally at least one compound of
formula II



wherein

R^a is a straight-chain or branched C₍₁₋₂₄₎ alkyl group,

R^b is an aromatic group, optionally an optionally substituted carbocyclic and heterocyclic group comprising five-, six- or ten-membered ring systems, which is linked by a single covalent bond or a spacer unit, optionally a straight-chain or branched alkyl residue having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, to the Si- atom,

R¹ and R² are independently of each other a straight chain or a branched hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 6 carbon atoms,

X¹ and X² are independently of each other a hydrolysable group, which is one or more of a halogen or an alkoxy group, and

n, m are independently of each other 0 or 1.

4. **(Original)** A substrate according to claim 3, wherein the coating is in form of filaments.

5. **(Previously Presented)** A substrate according to claim 4, wherein the coating is obtainable using a method comprising applying said coating to said substrate and silanizing under conditions wherein the ratio of silane to water is 1:10 to 10:1.

6. **(Currently amended)** A substrate according to claim 4, wherein the filaments ~~range from very short, nearly spherical bases~~ are up to several μm in length with diameters ranging from approximately 10 nm to 160 nm.

7. **(Previously Presented)** A substrate according to claim 4, wherein the coating the coating has a thickness of 1 to 350 nm.

8. **(Previously Presented)** A substrate according to claim 4, wherein the coating is transparent, and wherein optionally also the substrate is transparent.

9. **(Currently amended)** A substrate according to claim 3, wherein the coating has a mean average layer thickness of at least 60nm to 85nm.

10. **(Currently amended)** A substrate according to claim 3, wherein the substrate is natural or artificial and is selected from the group consisting of metal, silicon based material, glass, ceramics, paper, wood, polymers, fabrics, cellulose and its derivatives,

biodegradable materials, construction and building materials, and other inorganic or organic materials a fabric, metal like Ti or Al, glass, ceramics, cellulose, paper, wood, silicon-based material and polymers.

11. **(Withdrawn)** A method of production of a substrate comprising applying a coating formed of a composition according to claim 1.

12. **(Withdrawn)** A method according to claim 11, wherein the silanization is carried out under conditions such that the molar ratio of silane to water, the water being optionally in the gas phase, is in the range of 1:10 to 10:1.

13. **(Currently amended)** A textile having a coating formed of a composition according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 3.

14. **(Currently amended)** A glass device having a coating formed of a composition according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 3.

15. **(Currently amended)** A sanitary device having a coating formed of a composition according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 3.